

**REMARKS**

This application is a continuation application of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/137,629. Claims 1-52 have been canceled without prejudice. Claims 53-80 are submitted for consideration.

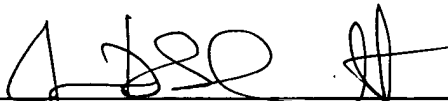
The Examiner is requested to phone the undersigned if the Examiner believes such would facilitate prosecution of the present application. The undersigned is available for telephone consultation at any time during normal business hours (Pacific Time Zone).

Respectfully submitted,

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